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### National Transportation Infrastructure Day Set for April 9, 2015

*Intermodal Transportation Institute Calls for Support of Day of Action*

DENVER—The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) has proposed a “National Transportation Infrastructure Day” on Thursday, April 9, 2015. This collective day of action is intended to highlight the need for Congress to establish a long-term, sustainable, and reliable transportation funding bill by encouraging community participation while members of Congress are in their home districts.

The University of Denver’s Intermodal Transportation Institute (ITI) has identified transportation infrastructure that will require an estimated investment of \$1.6 trillion by 2020, as one of the most significant challenges facing the future of the transportation industry.

“Historically, our economy and our quality of life has benefited from our ability to safely, efficiently, and effectively transport goods and people to destinations throughout the United States and North America,” remarked William DeWitt, Executive Director of the ITI. “To preserve these benefits we must invest and improve our infrastructure and we must do so quickly.”

The ITI fully supports APTA’s call to action and encourages public and private leaders from all sectors to be actively involved in finding real, tangible, and sustainable funding solutions to our national transportation infrastructure challenge. “This is essential for our country to remain competitive, to create employment opportunities, and ensure an efficient and safe transportation network,” said DeWitt.

Additional information on how to participate in the National Transportation Infrastructure Day can be obtained from the American Public Transportation Association website at [www.apta.com](http://www.apta.com).

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*The University of Denver's Intermodal Transportation Institute provides a leading voice in education, research, and resources to the current and future leaders of the transportation system that integrates all modes of transportation. The ITI Board of Directors represents over 50 of the largest transportation services providers in North America. For interview requests, please contact DU Media Relations.*